क्र० सं०	नाम	क्षेत्र	नियुक्ति की तारीख	कैफियत
15.	डा० वी० एस० वेंकटवर्धन	बम्बई	05–5–86	
16.	श्रीमती शैलापारीख	बम्बई	05–5–86	
17.	श्रीमती विजया मेहता	बम्बई	05–5–86	
18	सुश्री मैत्रेयी रामादुरई	बम्बई	05–5–86	
19.	श्री एल० लक्ष्मीपति	हैदराबाद	05–5–86	
20.	श्रीमती राजी रंगाचारी	मद्रास	02–9–86	
21.	श्री विनय कुमार सिन्हा	बम्बई	30–10–87	

Centres for Technical and Vocational Education

953. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of centres of technical and vocational education and training in the rural areas of the country;

(b) whether Government have any new proposals for its extension; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Education did not have any scheme earlier to give assistance to States for setting up schools for vocational education in rural areas. A new scheme for extending assistance to States for starting 3-4 vocational courses in each selected school at plus two level has been started recently in 1987-88. Under this scheme assistance would also be available to schools in the rural areas.

In the Technical Education Sector the Government started a scheme of community polytechnics in 1978-79 under which selected polytechnics act as focal points to promote transfer of technology to rural areas. The scheme at present covers 108 polytechnics/institutions as per statement attached. [*See* Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 30]. The community polytechnics impart training on non-formal basis through short-term courses in various vocational skills/trades. Each community polytechnic generally has 3-5 Extension Centres in rural areas.

Train Terminal at Bandra

954. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to have train terminal at Bandra;

(b) the present position of that proposal; and

(c) the action taken and proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Construction work for the terminal is in progress.

Passengers of Suburban Trains

955. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of passengers who travelled in suburban trains (both Central and Western Railways) in the years 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87 in Bombay;

(b) the number of trains that have run in above period year-wise; and

(c) the action Government propose to reduce overcrowding in suburban trains in Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA):

(a) No. of passengers travelled in subur ban trains

(Figures in Thousands)

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
Central Railway	659,815	685,555	718,439
Western Railway	711,788	698.214	689,199
TOTAL	1,371,603	1,383,769	1,407,638

(b) Average number of Suburban Trains runs Daily

(In units)

Central Railway	827	865	900
Western Railway	857	851	880
TOTAL	1,684	1,716	1,780

(c) Increase in the number of EMU suburban trains introduction of high density rakes and reduction in headway between successive trains are some of the steps being taken.

Monkey Bridge on River Yamuna

956. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a multi-crore scheme for coping with the massive inrease in vehicular traffic in the capital, and augmenting the Monkey Bridge on the river Yamuna has been drawn up;

(b) if so, what are the details and estimated cost thereof; and

(c) the decisions taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) There are a few proposals for coping with the massive increase in vehicular traffic over river Yamuna in the capital, which include provision of an eight lane bridge near Inter State Bus Terminal at an estimated cost of about Rs. 37 crores. Further a proposal for widening the ITO bridge is at the planning stage. There is no 'Monkey Bridge' on the river Yamuna. There is, however, a 'Monkey Bridge'